

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. MCGEORGE BUNDY THE WHITE HOUSE

Subject: Corrections in Moscow's 1101

We consider Moscow's 1101 an accurate translation of the Khrushchev letter with the following exceptions:

- 1. The first sentence of the fifth paragraph should read as follows: "I see, Mr. President, that you too are not devoid of a sense of anxiety for the fate of the world, of understanding and a proper evaluation of the character of contemporary war and of what war entails."
- 2. On the first page of section 3 of Moscow's 1101, the sentence "You have asked what had happened, what evoked the delivery of weapons to Cuba" should begin a new paragraph.
- 3. In the first full paragraph on page two of section three the second sentence should read as follows: Moreover the preservation of world peace should be our joint concern, since if, under contemporary conditions, war should break out, it would be a war not only between the Soviet Union and the USA, between whom, strictly speaking, are no reciprocal claims, but a worldwide orugal and destructive war.

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